

Duval County Public Schools

R L Brown Gifted And Talented Academy



2019-20 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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1535 MILNOR ST, Jacksonville, FL 32206

<http://www.duvalschools.org/rlbrown>

Demographics

Principal: Kristi Kincaid

Start Date for this Principal: 7/23/2019

2019-20 Status (per MSID File)	Active
School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	Elementary School KG-5
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	K-12 General Education
2018-19 Title I School	Yes
2018-19 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)	100%
2018-19 ESSA Subgroups Represented (subgroups with 10 or more students) (subgroups below the federal threshold are identified with an asterisk)	Students With Disabilities* Black/African American Students Economically Disadvantaged Students
School Grades History	2018-19: C (45%) 2017-18: C (42%) 2016-17: C (45%) 2015-16: No Grade 2014-15: No Grade
2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Information*	
SI Region	Northeast
Regional Executive Director	Cassandra Brusca
Turnaround Option/Cycle	N/A
Year	
Support Tier	
ESSA Status	TS&I
* As defined under Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code. For more information, click here .	

School Board Approval

This plan was approved by the Duval County School Board on 10/1/2019.

SIP Authority

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes, requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a Schoolwide Improvement Plan (SIP) for each school in the district that has a school grade of D or F. This plan is also a requirement for Targeted Support and Improvement (TS&I) and Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CS&I) schools pursuant to 1008.33 F.S. and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

To be designated as TS&I, a school must have one or more ESSA subgroup(s) with a Federal Index below 41%. This plan shall be approved by the district. There are three ways a school can be designated as CS&I:

1. have a school grade of D or F
2. have a graduation rate of 67% or lower
3. have an overall Federal Index below 41%.

For these schools, the SIP shall be approved by the district as well as the Bureau of School Improvement.

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) SIP template meets all statutory and rule requirements for traditional public schools and incorporates all components required for schools receiving Title I funds. This template is required by State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code, for all non-charter schools with a current grade of D or F, or a graduation rate 67% or less. Districts may opt to require a SIP using a template of its choosing for schools that do not fit the aforementioned conditions. This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the FDOE's school improvement planning web application located at www.floridacims.org.

Purpose and Outline of the SIP

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Elementary School KG-5	Yes	100%
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
K-12 General Education	No	86%

School Grades History

Year	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17
Grade	C	C	C

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Part I: School Information

School Mission and Vision

Provide the school's mission statement.

The faculty and staff of Richard Lewis Brown Gifted and Academically Talented Academy will empower students to be successful in a global world.

Provide the school's vision statement.

At Richard Lewis Brown Gifted and Academically Talented Academy, we are a community of diverse learners committed to engaging the whole child in rigorous instruction that challenges them to think critically, take risks and reflect on their learning.

School Leadership Team

Membership

Identify the name, email address and position title for each member of the school leadership team:

Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Kincaid, Kristi	Principal	Serves as an instructional leader, engages all school stakeholders in student learning, and collaborates in the school's decision making process.
Parris, Kendall	Assistant Principal	Serves as an instructional leader, engages all school stakeholders in student learning, and collaborates in the school's decision making process.
Nelson, Josh	School Counselor	Serves as an instructional support leader, engages all school stakeholders in student learning, and collaborates in the school's decision making process.

Early Warning Systems

Current Year

The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator listed:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Number of students enrolled	42	47	50	57	68	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	324
Attendance below 90 percent	15	13	8	13	16	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74
One or more suspensions	2	2	0	2	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Course failure in ELA or Math	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	28	27	32	39	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	165

The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students with two or more indicators	14	23	20	25	32	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146

The number of students identified as retainees:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Retained Students: Current Year	4	2	0	16	8	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

FTE units allocated to school (total number of teacher units)

22

Date this data was collected or last updated

Friday 8/23/2019

Prior Year - As Reported**The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:**

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
Attendance below 90 percent														
One or more suspensions														
Course failure in ELA or Math														
Level 1 on statewide assessment														

The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
Students with two or more indicators														

Prior Year - Updated**The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:**

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Attendance below 90 percent	11	15	12	11	14	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
One or more suspensions	4	0	3	7	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
Course failure in ELA or Math	5	1	1	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Level 1 on statewide assessment	8	17	25	45	26	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146

The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students with two or more indicators	12	15	23	37	24	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135

Part II: Needs Assessment/Analysis

School Data

Please note that the district and state averages shown here represent the averages for similar school types (elementary, middle, high school, or combination schools).

School Grade Component	2019			2018		
	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement	48%	50%	57%	51%	49%	55%
ELA Learning Gains	51%	56%	58%	55%	56%	57%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	42%	50%	53%	38%	54%	52%
Math Achievement	50%	62%	63%	51%	62%	61%
Math Learning Gains	49%	63%	62%	41%	63%	61%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	42%	52%	51%	36%	54%	51%
Science Achievement	33%	48%	53%	40%	50%	51%

EWS Indicators as Input Earlier in the Survey

Indicator	Grade Level (prior year reported)						Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	
Number of students enrolled	42 (0)	47 (0)	50 (0)	57 (0)	68 (0)	60 (0)	324 (0)
Attendance below 90 percent	15 ()	13 ()	8 ()	13 ()	16 ()	9 ()	74 (0)
One or more suspensions	2 ()	2 (0)	0 (0)	2 (0)	1 (0)	9 (0)	16 (0)
Course failure in ELA or Math	4 ()	1 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	5 (0)
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0 ()	28 (0)	27 (0)	32 (0)	39 (0)	39 (0)	165 (0)

Grade Level Data

NOTE: This data is raw data and includes ALL students who tested at the school. This is not school grade data.

NOTE: An asterisk (*) in any cell indicates the data has been suppressed due to fewer than 10 students tested, or all tested students scoring the same.

ELA						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
03	2019	52%	51%	1%	58%	-6%
	2018	39%	50%	-11%	57%	-18%
Same Grade Comparison		13%				
Cohort Comparison						
04	2019	49%	52%	-3%	58%	-9%
	2018	43%	49%	-6%	56%	-13%
Same Grade Comparison		6%				
Cohort Comparison		10%				
05	2019	43%	50%	-7%	56%	-13%
	2018	48%	51%	-3%	55%	-7%
Same Grade Comparison		-5%				

ELA						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
Cohort Comparison		0%				

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
03	2019	54%	61%	-7%	62%	-8%
	2018	41%	59%	-18%	62%	-21%
Same Grade Comparison		13%				
Cohort Comparison						
04	2019	49%	64%	-15%	64%	-15%
	2018	44%	60%	-16%	62%	-18%
Same Grade Comparison		5%				
Cohort Comparison		8%				
05	2019	45%	57%	-12%	60%	-15%
	2018	46%	61%	-15%	61%	-15%
Same Grade Comparison		-1%				
Cohort Comparison		1%				

SCIENCE						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
05	2019	33%	49%	-16%	53%	-20%
	2018	40%	56%	-16%	55%	-15%
Same Grade Comparison		-7%				
Cohort Comparison						

Subgroup Data

2019 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18
SWD	22	44	36	23	40	38					
BLK	41	47	42	44	46	41	29				
WHT	82	71		73	71						
FRL	38	49	42	39	46	41	27				
2018 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2016-17	C & C Accel 2016-17
SWD	21	33		14	33	33					
BLK	37	44	55	40	35	26	35				
WHT	81			62							
FRL	36	42	52	36	35	30	29				

2017 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2015-16	C & C Accel 2015-16
SWD		18		10	17						
BLK	50	51	40	50	35	27	32				
WHT	79	75		57	50						
FRL	45	51	39	45	39	37	45				

ESSA Data

This data has been updated for the 2018-19 school year as of 7/16/2019.

ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	TS&I
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	45
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	2
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	315
Total Components for the Federal Index	7
Percent Tested	100%
Subgroup Data	
Students With Disabilities	
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	34
Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 32%	
English Language Learners	
Federal Index - English Language Learners	
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years English Language Learners Subgroup Below 32%	
Native American Students	
Federal Index - Native American Students	
Native American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Native American Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Asian Students	
Federal Index - Asian Students	

Asian Students	
Asian Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Asian Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Black/African American Students	
Federal Index - Black/African American Students	41
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Pacific Islander Students	
Federal Index - Pacific Islander Students	
Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 32%	
White Students	
Federal Index - White Students	74
White Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years White Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Federal Index - Economically Disadvantaged Students	40
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	

Analysis

Data Reflection

Answer the following reflection prompts after examining any/all relevant school data sources (see guide for examples for relevant data sources).

Which data component showed the lowest performance? Explain the contributing factor(s) to last year's low performance and discuss any trends.

The lowest performance was in our science proficiency on the 5th grade NGSSS Statewide Assessment. The factors that contributed to the decrease from 40% in 2018 to 33% in 2019 were the rotation schedule not allowing enough time to properly teach the science standards, a first year science teacher who struggled with the content, and a lack of consistent hands-on experiments/labs.

Which data component showed the greatest decline from the prior year? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this decline.

The greatest decline from the prior year was our ELA lowest 25th percentile which declined from 52% in 2018 to 42% in 2019, a 10 percentage point decrease. The factors that contributed to this decline were teachers not providing appropriate Tier 2 or Tier 3 support to the BQ, limited center rotations for differentiation, mostly whole group instruction taking place, teachers struggled to interpret data and make decisions about next steps, and classroom management issues.

Which data component had the greatest gap when compared to the state average? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this gap and any trends.

The greatest gap between school performance and state performance in 2019 was in science proficiency which had a 20% difference. The factors that contributed to this gap were the rotation schedule not allowing enough time to properly teach the science standards, a first year science teacher who struggled with the content, and a lack of consistent hands-on experiments/labs.

Which data component showed the most improvement? What new actions did your school take in this area?

The most improvement in 2019 was in math learning gains which moved from 39% in 2018 to 49% in 2019, a 10 percentage point increase. The actions we took in this area included a math coach who was very experienced and pulled students frequently to provide the Tier 2 and Tier 3 interventions needed to show student gains. The coach also built very strong relationships with her group of students further promoting an excitement for learning.

Reflecting on the EWS data from Part I (D), identify one or two potential areas of concern? (see Guidance tab for additional information)

1. Attendance below 90%
2. Level 1 on Statewide Assessments

Rank your highest priorities (maximum of 5) for schoolwide improvement in the upcoming school year.

1. Increase ELA L25% gains by 18 points to 60%
2. Increase Math L25% gains by 18 points to 60%
3. Increase Science achievement by 17 points to 50%
4. Increase Math and ELA proficiency levels for SWD from 23% and 22% respectively, to 40%
5. Increase Math and ELA proficiency levels for BLK students from 44% and 41% respectively, to 55%

Part III: Planning for Improvement

Areas of Focus:

#1	
Title	To increase the academic gains of our bottom quartile (BQ) in Reading to 60% and Math to 60%.
Rationale	Our 2018-19 data reflects that only 42% of our BQ students showed gains in Reading (a drop from 52% last school year) and only 42% in Math (an increase of 9% from last school year).
State the measurable outcome the school plans to achieve	If assigned learning tasks/activities are appropriately structured to meet the individual needs of students and are fully aligned with grade level expectations/standards, then overall and BQ learning gains for all core subject areas will improve. Our goal is for 60% of our reading BQ students and 60% of our math BQ students to achieve gains in 2019-20.
Person responsible for monitoring outcome	Kristi Kincaid (ephriamk@duvalschools.org)
Evidence-based Strategy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide time for instructional personnel to engage in focused professional development opportunities involving analysis of student achievement data and identification of correlated learning activities. 2. Purchase research-based curriculum for Tier 2 instruction such as Acaletics for Math 3. Enhance hands-on science application experiences connected to standards. Utilize Acaletics science curriculum for 5th grade. 4. Utilize a reading and math interventionist. 5. Increase the use of i-ready instruction in reading and math for tiered 2 support
Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Most of our teachers are new (0-3 years experience) and need ongoing professional development in the areas of best instructional practices, classroom management, data collection and analysis, small group instruction, differentiation and standards driven instructional tasks. Throughout the school year, teachers will be given the opportunity to participate in professional development at the school level during collaborative planning and early release day activities, as well as district level professional development recommended by Administration and offered through the Unified Talent portal. 2. To provide teachers with proven, research-based curriculum materials to help close the learning gap of our BQ students. 3. Our reading and math interventionists will be leveraged to support our BQ students with Tier 2 and Tier 3 instruction, as well as provide tiered support for our teachers as required.
Action Step	
Description	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Instructional personnel will be given time during Early Release professional development sessions (preferably once per quarter) to collaborate with peers in disaggregating formative assessment data, identifying intervention resources/programs, and developing activities to remediate students' instructional areas of weakness and enrich students' s instructional strengths. b. Instructional personnel will participate in common planning sessions with administration and coaches to review data from recent class/district assessments and utilize data tracking methods to identify learning gain and develop an action plan for students. c. Instructional personnel will work together during common planning to discuss teacher/student data chat forms with the purpose of conducting conferences with students to measure progress toward annual learning targets. d. Administrations and coaches will identify model classrooms for differentiated, data-based

core and/or center learning activities and allow time for teachers to observe best practices of peers with targeted pre- and post- briefings.

e. Administration will create a classroom daily schedule that adheres to the instructional framework and includes time for teachers to meet in differentiated small groups.

2.

a. Purchase Acaletics (for math intervention) and Reading Mastery (for reading intervention).

b. Provide opportunities for teachers to receive district-level professional development with the implementation of both curriculums.

c. Progress monitor the implementation and fidelity of both curriculums.

3.

a. Hire a reading and math interventionist with suitable qualifications.

b. Clarify expectations, review student data, and develop a schedule for intervention.

c. Progress monitor the implementation and fidelity of instruction by both interventionists on a weekly basis.

Person

Responsible

Kristi Kincaid (ephriamk@duvalschools.org)

#2	
Title	Continue to implement a positive behavior support system school-wide to lower our number of referrals by 50% to 124 and increase our restorative justice incidents from 16 to 32.
Rationale	Based on our 2018-19 school-wide discipline data, one of our primary goals is to focus on building a stronger PBIS system to support our students' social and emotional growth that will, in turn, promote increased engagement in learning and higher academic gains.
State the measurable outcome the school plans to achieve	Our goal is for office managed discipline referrals to decrease by 50% to 124 total referrals (248 total in 18-19), our restorative justice (RJ) practices to increase by 100% to 32 (16 total in 18-19), and our out of school suspensions (OSS) to decrease by 50% to 8 (17 total in 18-19).
Person responsible for monitoring outcome	Kristi Kincaid (ephriamk@duvalschools.org)
Evidence-based Strategy	Provide on-going training and progress monitoring for all school personnel to implement a school-wide PBIS system and behavioral curriculum to define rules, expectations, and procedures for all students.
Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy	There is inconsistent implementation of rituals/routines, behavioral curriculum and positive behavior support systems that will help to establish a student-centered culture for academic, social and emotional growth.
Action Step	
Description	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Administrators and PBIS Members will model and monitor school-wide expectations for all school personnel, parents and students implementing rituals and routines, positive behavior plans, and positive behavior curriculum in the classroom and common areas. 2. Teachers/staff will receive ongoing feedback from weekly walk-throughs focusing on behavioral expectations, student engagement and the classroom learning environment to celebrate successes and support areas of need. 3. Continually monitor school-wide discipline data to problem-solve areas of concern. 4. Provide ongoing learning opportunities to remind students of school and classroom expectations. 5. Teachers will implement classroom morning meetings from the Sanford Harmony curriculum. 6. Ongoing tiered support for students in small group and individually by providing opportunities for mentoring/tutoring with the Kindness Queen and Big Brothers/Sisters weekly
Person Responsible	Kristi Kincaid (ephriamk@duvalschools.org)

Additional Schoolwide Improvement Priorities (optional)

After choosing your Area(s) of Focus, explain how you will address the remaining schoolwide improvement priorities (see the Guidance tab for more information).

1. Schoolwide safety-a schoolwide safety plan will be created and implemented for the 2019-20 school year which will include safety folders for every classroom, detailed safety procedures and code red

instructions, faculty and staff trainings/progress monitoring throughout the school year and monthly fire and code red drills to better prepare faculty and students in the event of a real emergency.

Part IV: Title I Requirements

Additional Title I Requirements

This section must be completed if the school is implementing a Title I, Part A schoolwide program and opts to use the Schoolwide Improvement Plan to satisfy the requirements of the schoolwide program plan, as outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act, Public Law No. 114-95, Â§ 1114(b). This section is not required for non-Title I schools.

Describe how the school plans to build positive relationships with parents, families, and other community stakeholders to fulfill the school's mission and support the needs of students.

We take input from our stakeholders on activities they recommend and incorporate them into our planning. Student data is reviewed to assist families to find the areas of weakness to support their child and create workshops to strengthen the school and parent relationship. Our workshops cover math, reading, science, and positive behavior.

PFEP Link

The school completes a Parental Involvement Plan (PFEP), which is available at the school site.

Describe how the school ensures the social-emotional needs of all students are being met, which may include providing counseling, mentoring and other pupil services.

Our full-time School Counselor pushes into classrooms K-5 to present guidance lessons focused on character development. He is also available to counsel individual students upon referral and student/parent request.

Describe the strategies the school employs to support incoming and outgoing cohorts of students in transition from one school level to another.

RL Brown will offer current 5th grade students and their families an event designed by Admin and our school Counselor to help with the transition to Middle School. Parent's will be able to inquire about steps needed to transition to middle school. School choice deadlines, etc. will be shared and explored to prepare for upcoming promotions to 6th grade. This will ensure a smooth academic transition from elementary to middle school.

Describe the process through which school leadership identifies and aligns all available resources (e.g., personnel, instructional, curricular) in order to meet the needs of all students and maximize desired student outcomes. Include the methodology for coordinating and supplementing federal, state and local funds, services and programs. Provide the person(s) responsible, frequency of meetings, how an inventory of resources is maintained and any problem-solving activities used to determine how to apply resources for the highest impact.

Leadership meetings are held weekly which include Admin, two school Interventionists, and the School Counselor. Topics discussed include curriculum effectiveness, classroom and individual student data, blended learning platforms, curriculum and district assessments, Florida standard alignment, etc. This information is disseminated to teachers through weekly walk-through's and collaborative planning sessions.

Collaborative planning is conducted at least once per week. Attendees vary week to week but will include Admin, Interventionists and/or grade-level teachers. Topics discussed include student data, assessments, classroom management strategies, schedules, curriculum, resources, standards, etc.

Describe the strategies the school uses to advance college and career awareness, which may include establishing partnerships with business, industry or community organizations.

In January 2020, our School Counselor will conduct classroom lessons for K-5 in career exploration and in February 2020, we will host a career fair with representatives from various career clusters for K-5 as well. Based on future funding, we are planning to provide college tours for students in grades 3-5 and college week in October.